#### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

BRANDON HOLMES, : CIVIL NO. 3:16-CV-644

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Plaintiff

(Judge Munley)

V.

:

J. ECK, et al., : (Magistrate Judge Arbuckle)

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Defendants.

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### ANSWER TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO PROCEED WITH DISCOVERY

**AND NOW** COMES J. Eck, M. Russo, B. Mottern and C. Pizzoli by and through their Attorneys, Gregory T. Moro, Esquire and Hope R. Moro, Esquire and set forth this Answer to Plaintiff's Motion to Proceed with Discovery as follows:

- 1. The Plaintiff's request to proceed with discovery is untimely as Plaintiff's Motion for an Amended Complaint is still pending before the Court. Also, the Plaintiff's filing does not comply with Local Rule 7.5, as there is no brief attached. Furthermore, if considered, the Plaintiff's Second Amended Complaint does not comply with the Court's order of March 21, 2018 as the unnamed Defendants are not properly joined.
- 2. The Plaintiff's request should be denied.

**WHEREFORE**, the Defendants respectfully request the Plaintiff's Motion to Proceed with Discovery be denied.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

We, Gregory T. Moro, Esquire and Hope R. Moro, Esquire, do hereby certify that on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018, we served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Answer to Plaintiff's Motion to Proceed with Discovery upon the following party, by

United States mail, postage pre-paid to the following address:

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